THE

Theatrical Observer;

AND

Daily Bills of the Play.

"Nothing extenuate, nor set down aught in malice."—*Othello.*

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"The Play's the thing."—Ask for *Thomas's Observer.*

COVENT GARDEN THEATRE.

Henrique was performed at this Theatre on Saturday night, with *Katherine and Petruchio,* and *The Quaker,* to a good house. We are afraid this beautiful Opera has not realized the expectations of the management. The greatest exertions are being made for the production of Shakspeare's *Henry the Fifth,* with the best effect. It is to be produced, as it has never been represented before, with the chorusses, illustrated by scenery, which report says Stanfield is painting. It is most praiseworthy for this great artist to devote his miraculous pencil towards the resuscitation of the native drama ; it must be at a large pecuniary sacrifice. We await anxiously the result of the revival of the Play.

HAY-MARKET THEATRE.

MRS. GORE'S Comedy of *King O'Neil,* formerly performed at Covent Garden, was produced here on Saturday with the greatest success, indeed otherwise than successful it could not have been, with such a cast, and with Power at their head. The piece was announced for representation every night till further notice without a dissentent voice. It was preceded by *Tom Noddy's Secret,* and followed by *Paddy Carey,* and *My Wife's Dentist.*—The house was, we are happy to state, crowded.

ST. JAMES'S.—Those deserving favorites, Mr.& Mrs.Gilbert take their Benefit at this Theatre to-night, when the wonderful Dogs and Monkeys will go through their astonishing performances positively for the last time.

Templeton, Balfe, and Miss Romer perform at the Surrey Theatre to-night in *Der Freischutz. L'Elisir d'Amore* has been translated into English for them, and is shortly to be produced at the above house.

DRURY LANE.—Mr. Bishop is most busily engaged in arranging and adapting the music, for the English stage, of Auber's *Lac des Fées.* The talented lessee, we believe, has adapted the libretto, but if report speak true, which states that the parts have not yet been given out to the singers, and moreover that they are not even yet *copied,* we are afraid there is not the least chance of the Opera being ready by the 27th of the present month, as advertized in the bills. The characters who have much to do in *The Fairy Lake,* are but few, but the duty will fall harder upon them. If the lessee of Drury Lane delay long the production of this most popular Opera, he will be anticipated, for an effort will be made to represent it at the New Strand to-night, Mrs. Waylett taking the principal part, and knowing, as we do, the exertions that have been made by Hammond for the last month to procure sufficient auxiliaries, &c. we doubt not but it will be represented in a creditable manner.

Three Benefits are to take place on Saturday next, in aid of the General Theatrical Fund Association, lately established for making

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a provision for aged members of the theatrical profession, on which occasion the Theatres in Westminster will be all closed, and their companies will perform at the Surrey, City of London, and Sadler's Wells Theatres. We sincerely hope that this unanimity of action will be rewarded by the cordial support of the public in aid of this most meritorious institution.

Henry Johnston.—This distinguished artist of the old school has been playing with great success at Warwick. His *Rolla, Hotspur,* and *Rugantino,* are stated by the country newspapers to be sustained with a force and fidelity little inferior to that which marked the efforts of his early days.

Fashionable Lounges.

To the Editor of The Theatrical Observer.

DEAR MR. EDITOR—Just wish to say a word—beg pardon, but will you excuse me—I have to mention that I've arranged so as to rub shoulders with my friends and the fashionable world at one or other of the *Grand Lounges* about town:—

Monday, stroll'd to Madame TUSSAUD's elegant Exhibition, Golden Corinthian Saloon, Baker-st, Portman Sq.—A splended new Group, consisting of Her Majesty, in her Robes of State, the Duchess of Kent, the Dukes of Cambridge and Sussex, Earls Melbourne, Grey, & Normanby, and Lord Lyndhurst, in honor of the Coronation.—fac similies from life—the dresses of English Manufacture.

The ROYAL DIORAMA, Regent's Park, is now open with two Paintings by Le Chevalier Bouton, representing *The Coronation of Her Majesty Queen Victoria* in Westminster Abbey, and the Interior of the *Church of Santa Croce* at Florence, with all the effects of light and shade, from noon till midnight.

Tuesday, pop into the COSMORAMA, 209, Regent Street, to view the new and splendid views now exhibiting—quite delighted. Afterwards admired the astonishing feats of *The Industrious Fleas,* which are also daily to be seen here.

Wednesday I am to be found at 121, Pall Mall, (opposite to the Opera Colonade, admiring the wonderful Exhibition of *The Eccaleobion,* whereby life. in countless Thousands of animal beings, from a Wren to an Eagle, is produced by Machinery—a most interesting phenomenon—paid only a 1s. for admission.

Afterwards pay a visit to the Somerset Gallery, Strand, next to Somerset House, to witness *The Industrious Fleas* go through their extraordinary performance of dancing, riding, driving, &c. also two Fleas deciding an affair of honour sword in hand.—An exhibition well deserving the patronage it receives.

In my way from the the Theatre, drop in at the *Harmonic Meeting* held at EVANS's Grand Hotel, King Street, Covent Garden,—quite delighted with the excellence of the singing, and the cheapness of the fare. When Mrs. P. is out of town, stay here a week, and only pay a guinea for bed & breakfast. I'm always to be found on Wednesday at half-past five at the Convivial Dinner held here.

Wishing to purchase my spring stock of Hats, pop't into RICHARDS's, 125, Strand—found he had a most splendid assortment of elegant. light, and durable Beaver Hats—ordered a couple to be sent home immediately.—Made a memorandum, "RICHARDS & Co. 125, Strand, the only house in London for good hats."

It being Mrs. P's. intention to furnish herself with an entirely new stock of Jewellery, called at S. ISAACS's, 131, Regent Street, and examined his magnificent stock of gold earrings, necklaces, bracelets, &c. which he is disposing of at astonishing low prices,—he as also on sale some beautiful furniture and china.

Thursday, called at Emmett's, 27, Holborn Hill, to view his Novel Pen Maker by which any one can make a superior Pen in less than one minute—also his much improved Needle Threader, to enable Ladies, whose sight is impairad to thread their needles with the greatest ease—a most ingenious contrivance.

"All good *spirits* come to my *Beck,*" at Doctor Johnson's Tavern, Bolt Court, Fleet Street,—where you meet excellent company—capital fare at *fair* prices—delightful singing—(commence every evening at a quarter to nine,) cigars, billiards, good beds, and an enticing ordinary held every day at five o'clock.

Mr. Editor some time back when my head ached and my eyes grew dim I dreaded to pry into my doctor's bill. Now I only have to call on friend Grimstone, 39, Broad Street, Bloomsbury, purchase some of his Herbacious Eye Snuff in canisters of 1s. 3d. and 2s. 4d. each. Try my sight by reading the testimonials—whiff my Cigar, frighten away my headache, and gaily cry "Throw Physic to the dogs I'll have none of it."

On Saturday, I examine *Miss Linwood's* curious Needle Work, Leicester-Square—just added other beautiful specimens of her art.—But I intrude—beg pardon,—Your's &c.—PAUL PRY.

Theatre Royal, Haymarket.

This Evening, (6th Time) a new Farce, in One Act, by T. E. Wilks, Esq. called

My Wife's Dentist

Sir J. Beauville, Mr COOPER, General Squadron, Mr STRICKLAND,
Dick Hazard, Mr WRENCH, David, Mr T. F. MATHEWS,
Cicely Squadron, Miss MORDAUNT,
Lady Letitia Beauville, Miss GROVE, Rhoda, Mrs F. MATHEWS.

After which, will be produced a Comedy, in Three Acts, by Mrs. Charles Gore, called

KING O'NEIL;

Or, The Irish Brigade.

Louis XV, Mr COOPER, Duke de Richelieu. Mr LACY
Sir Henry Arundel, Mr HEMMING.
Officers of the Brigade.
General Count Dillon ..... Mr STRICKLAND,
Major de Burgh, Mr PERKINS,
Maior Macnamara Mr Gough, O'Callaghan Mr Caulfield
Capt. O'Neil, (by courtesey, King of Ulster) Mr POWER,
With the Song of "*The Boys of the Irish Brigade.*"
Rafe, Mr WORRELL, Sentry, Mr GREEN.
Countess Dillon, Mrs W. CLIFFORD.
Marchioness de Clermont, ...Miss TAYLOR,
Duchess de Mailly, Miss MORDAUNT

The following pieces of Music will be performed in

THE ASCENDING ORCHESTRA:

Overture, "Guillaume Tell," Rossini.
New Overture, (13 Time) Czerney; introducing "The Lass of Patie's Mill," "Royal Charlie," "The Campbells are Coming," "The Lass o'Gowrie," "Scots wha hae wi' Wallace bled," "My Love she's but a Lassie yet."
Elisabethen Walzer, Strauss.

To conclude with, Colman's Comedy of

JOHN BULL.

Job Thornberry, Mr STRICKLAND,
Dennis Brulgruddery, Mr POWER, Peregrine, Mr COOPER,
Sir Simon Rochdale, Mr GOUGH,
Honorable Tom Shuffleton.....Mr WALTER LACY,
Frank Rochdale, Mr HEMMING, Dan, Mr BUCKSTONE,
John Burr, Mr T.F. MATHEWS, Simon. Mr CLARK,
Mary Thornberry, Miss TAYLOR,
Lady Caroline Braymore ..... Miss MORDAUNT,
Mrs Brulgruddery, Mrs GLOVER.

To-morrow, Married Life, King O'Neil, Paddy Carey, & My Wife's Dentist.

Theatre Royal, Covent Garden.

This Evening, (for the Last Time) Sheridan Knowles's Play of

VIRGINIUS

Or, The Liberation of Rome.

Appius Claudius, Spurius Oppius, Marcus Vibulanus, } Decemvirs, { Mr G. BENNETT, Mr TILBURY, Mr BAKER,

Caius Claudius, Mr DIDDEAR,

Marcus ..... Mr HOWE,

Siccius Dentatus, Mr WARDE,

Virginius, ... Mr MACREADY,

Numitorius, Mr SERLE,

Lucius, ... Mr ROBERTS,

Icilius, Mr ANDERSON,

Publius, Mr COLLET, Decius, Mr HARRIS,

Sextus, Mr AYLIFFE, Titus, Mr YARNOLD,

Servius, Mr W. H. PAYNE, Cneius, Mr C. J. SMITH,

Virginia, Miss HELEN FAUCIT,

Servia .... Mrs WARNER.

After which, (12th Time) a new Dramatic Romance, called

Agnes Bernauer,

'The Maid of Augsburg;

OR, THE SECRET TRIBUNAL!

The Overture and Incidental Music composed by G. A. MACFARREN.

The Emperor Sigismund, (under the name of Baron VonGraaf,) Mr SERLE

Ernest, Duke of Bavaria, Mr G. BENNETT,

Prince Albert, ... (his Son) .... Mr ANDERSON

Count Bornheim, Mr DIDDEAR,

Count Rodolph ..... Mr W. H. PAYNE,

Herman, (Count of Werdenburg) Mr ELTON,

Maurice Bernauer, (Keeper of the Bath) Mr WALDRON

Eberhard, Mr ROBERTS,

Diedricksen, Mr HOWE, Sturmwald, Mr TILBURY,

Speeler, Mr MEADOWS.

Princess of Brunswick ..... Miss E PHILLIPS,

Agnes Bernauer, Mrs WARNER.

To-morrow, Richelieu, with Agnes Bernauer, the Maid of Augsburg, and Sayings and Doings.

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